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CUTS IN U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES

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1. WIDELY READ DAILY EXPRESS COLUMNIST TEODORO VALENCIA
TODAY PLACED STORY REPORTED REFTEL IN NEO-HARPY NATION-
ALISTIC TERMS WHICH HAVE COME TO CHARACTERIZE HIS STYLE
AND WHICH ACCOUNT IN NO SMALL PART FOR HIS BROAD READER-
SHIP HERE. PERTINENT PORTION OF VALENCIA COLUMN FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: A DECISION ON THE PART OF THE U.S. CONGRESS
TO REJECT EFFORTS OF A HANDFUL OF CONGRESSMEN TO REDUCE
AID TO THE PHILIPPINES DID NOT RATE HURRAHS IN THE PHILIP-
PINES. I AM SURE, HOWEVER, THAT THE CONSTERNATION AND
FRUSTRATION AMONG OUR "STEAK COMMANDOS" IS THE UNITED
STATES MUST HAVE BEEN COMPLETE. WHAT IS THE "REBEL" SAN
FRANCISCO NEWS GOING TO TELL ITS READERS AFTER HAVING SAID
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IN SEVERAL ISSUES THAT AID TO THE PHILIPPINES HAS BEEN CUT

BY THE U.S. CONGRESS? FILIPINO-AMERICANS, OBVIOUSLY, DON'T KNOW THEIR OWN ADOPTED COUNTRY. AMERICA MOVES ONLY IN HER OWN SELF-INTEREST. AID TO THE PHILIPPINES AT THIS TIME IS MORE IMPORTANT TO THE USA THAN IT IS TO US. WE COULD NOT CARE LESS WHAT THEY DECIDE. THE WORLD, HOWEVER, IS WATCHING AMERICA'S MOVES IN THE PHILIPPINES.

CONGRESSMAN THOMAS MORGAN OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE U.S. CONGRESS SAID THAT EXISTING RP-US TREATIES WOULD BE VIOLATED IF THE USA REDUCED MILITARY AID UNILATERALLY. "THIS IS A MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY BUTTRESSED BY SUBIC BAY AND CLARK FIELD AGREEMENTS WHERE WE GET FREE RENT AND WE HAVE AGREED TO A MILITARY ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE PHILIPPINES. THEY (THE "REBEL"-SYMPATHIZING CONGRESSMEN) JUST COME IN HERE AND SCUTTLE IT AS THIS TIME WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF OUR TREATY OBLIGATIONS TO A FRIENDLY NATION," MORGAN SAID. FORTUNATELY, THE MAJORITY OF THE US LAWMAKERS AND LEADERS ARE NOT THE STUPID KIND WHO THINK THE USA RULES THE WORLD AND CAN DO WHAT SHE PLEASES. THOSE IN THE MINORITY ARE LIKE FILIPINOS WHO HAVE BECOME AMERICANS AND NOW BELIEVE IT BEST TO PUT DOWN THEIR FORMER MOTHERLAND SO THEY'LL FEEL BETTER ABOUT THEIR CHANGE OF CITIZENSHIP. UNFORTUNATELY, THEY'LL ALWAYS BE SECOND-CLASS AMERICANS, NOTHING BETTER.

THE UNITED STATES NO LONGER RULES THE LIVES OF ASIANS. NOR THE LIVES OF FILIPINOS. WE CAN DO WITHOUT AMERICAN AID OR AMERICAN GOODWILL. THAT GOODWILL EXISTS ONLY INsofar AS IT IS ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE UNITED STATES. WE MIGHT AS WELL SUFFER AT THE HANDS OF OUR ENEMIES RATHER THAN BE TYRANIZED AND BUMBOOZLED BY OUR FRIENDS. WE ARE ABOUT TO RENEGOTIATE OUR EXISTING MILITARY AND ECONOMIC TREATIES WITH THE USA. WE WANT NO MORE OF AMERICAN PROTECTION. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO BE PROTECTED BY THE USA--THE DEAL HAS BEEN ALWAYS ONE-SIDED AND NEVER WITH ANY ASSURANCE THE USA INTENDED TO PROTECT US. END QUOTE.

2. COMMENT: VALENCIA'S MUDDLED ACERBITY IS VINTAGE BREW FROM HIS CELLER POTS. COMING AS IT DOES ON THE EVE OF BASE NEGOTIATIONS THE GOP MAY NOT BE DISPLEASED TO
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